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**Please Note:** New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters) and must register in the Online Representations and Certification Application (ORCA). In addition, all Vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-304

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: September 21, 2005

Canned Dried Beans, Announcement FV-304, Invitation 012

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned dried beans as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in School Nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Friday, September 23, 2005**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, **Tuesday, September 27, 2005**. Deliveries are to be made from October 1, 2005 through October 31, 2005. Offers are invited from the trade for:

Refried Beans	6/#10 cans	6,048 cases
Beans Pinto	6/#10 cans	864 cases
Blackeye Beans	6/#10 cans	12,960 cases
Beans Small Red	6/#10 cans	864 cases

**No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**

This invitation is to provide USDA commodities to areas affected by Hurricane Katrina, and to replace commodities previously diverted to those areas. Since there is a great need to deliver to destinations on the gulf coast as soon as possible, delivery timeframes on this invitation will begin immediately. **If you are unable to meet the early delivery periods, do not bid on them.** Inspection issues resulting from the need to deliver product quickly will be handled by Commodity Procurement Branch on a case by case basis. **Please note, is the vendor's responsibility to have timely deliveries and to deliver good quality and condition of the product.**

- All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.
- All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an invitation.



**Note:**

Effective August 1, 2005, Contractors are required to submit Annual Representations and Certifications via the Online Representation and Certifications Application (ORCA), a part of Business Partner Network (BPN). The internet address for registering in ORCA is <http://orca.bpn.gov>.

The representations and certifications are effective until one year from the date of submission or update to ORCA. A revised abbreviated appendix 1 dated August 2005 will be required for contractors registering via the ORCA system. A notice to the trade regarding this requirement was issued on June 28, 2005 at

<http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/cp/tradenotices.htm>

However, Contractors who have previously (prior to August 1, 2005) submitted the Appendix 1 for calendar year 2005 will be relieved from the ORCA online registration until the expiration of the Appendix 1.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe>? Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-304, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Canned Dried Beans, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-304, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.



**Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk. \***

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV304  
 INVITATION : 012  
 COMM GROUP : 41 BEANS, DRIED, CANNED  
 COMM TYPE : 12 BEANS, REFRIED, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CANS

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05</b>					
001	AUSTIN	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
002	BEAUMONT	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
003	DALLAS	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
004	FORT WORTH	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
005	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
006	LUBBOCK	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
007	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____

**TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 6,048**

COMM TYPE : 16 BEANS, PINTO, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CANS

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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<b>DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05</b>					
008	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____

**TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 864**

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV304  
 INVITATION : 012  
 COMM GROUP : 41 BEANS, DRIED, CANNED  
 COMM TYPE : 17 BEANS, SMALL RED, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CANS

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05

009	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 864

COMM TYPE : 18 BEANS, BLACK EYE, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CANS

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05

010	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
011	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
012	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
013	BATON ROUGE	LA	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
014	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
015	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
016	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
017	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
018	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
019	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV304  
 INVITATION : 012  
 COMM GROUP : 41 BEANS, DRIED, CANNED  
 COMM TYPE : 18 BEANS, BLACK EYE, CANNED  
 PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CANS

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05					
020	MOBILE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
021	GULFPORT	MS	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
022	GULFPORT	MS	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
023	GULFPORT	MS	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
024	GULFPORT	MS	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 12,960

COMM TYPE : 20 BEANS, RED KIDNEY, CANNED  
PACK SIZE : 60 6/#10 CAN


ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/05 - 10/15/05

025	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	864	_____
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 864

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 21,600

  
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Felicitas Lofton  
Contracting Officer

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